

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-94 (canceled).

95. (Original) A method for intermittently obstructing a gastric opening, comprising: positioning a first occluding member proximal to the gastric opening and a second occluding member distal to the gastric opening; and

maintaining a connection between the first occluding member and the second occluding member via a bridging member which is adapted to pass through the gastric opening such that the first occluding member obstructs the gastric opening and is retained by the second occluding member,

wherein the bridging member is further adapted to permit the first occluding member to intermittently move relative to the gastric opening.

96. (Original) The method of claim 95 further comprising advancing the first and the second occluding members via a tubing member prior to positioning the first occluding member.

97. (Original) The method of claim 95 further comprising ingesting the first and the second occluding members prior to positioning the first occluding member.

98. (Original) The method of claim 97 further comprising self-expanding at least the first occluding member prior to positioning the first occluding member.

99. (Original) The method of claim 98 further comprising self-expanding the second occluding member after positioning the first occluding member.

100. (Original) The method of claim 97 further comprising self-expanding at least the first occluding member while positioning the first occluding member.

101. (Original) The method of claim 100 further comprising self-expanding the second occluding member while positioning the first occluding member.

102. (Original) The method of claim 95 further comprising expanding the first occluding member from a first configuration to a larger second configuration prior to positioning the first occluding member.

103. (Original) The method of claim 95 further comprising expanding the second occluding member from a first configuration to a larger second configuration prior to positioning the second occluding member.

104. (Original) The method of claim 95 wherein positioning the first occluding member comprises expanding the first occluding member from a first configuration to a larger second configuration.

105. (Original) The method of claim 104 wherein expanding the first occluding member comprises inflating the member with a fluid.

106. (Original) The method of claim 105 further comprising inflating the member with a visible dye or marker.

107. (Original) The method of claim 104 wherein expanding the first occluding member comprises expanding the member with an expandable foam.

108. (Original) The method of claim 104 wherein expanding the first occluding member comprises expanding the member with an expandable hydrogel.

109. (Original) The method of claim 104 wherein expanding the first occluding member comprises self-expanding the member with a shape memory alloy.

110. (Original) The method of claim 95 wherein positioning the second occluding member comprises expanding the second occluding member from a first configuration to a larger second configuration.

111. (Original) The method of claim 110 wherein expanding the second occluding member comprises inflating the member with a fluid.

112. (Original) The method of claim 111 further comprising inflating the member with a visible dye or marker.

113. (Original) The method of claim 110 wherein expanding the second occluding member comprises expanding the member with an expandable foam.

114. (Original) The method of claim 110 wherein expanding the second occluding member comprises expanding the member with an expandable hydrogel.

115. (Original) The method of claim 110 wherein expanding the second occluding member comprises self-expanding the member with a shape memory alloy.

116. (Original) The method of claim 95 wherein maintaining the connection comprises fluidly communicating between the first and the second occluding members.

117. (Original) The method of claim 95 further comprising collapsing at least the second occluding member.

118. (Original) The method of claim 117 further comprising removing the first occluding member and the second occluding member from the gastric opening.